

SCIENCE FACULTY COUNCIL APPROVED MINUTES

Friday, Sept. 5, 2014, 1pm – Room A421

CHAIR: Lucy Lee

PRESENT:

Ali Fotouhi	Cory Beshara	Gillian Mimmack	Lin Long	Stan Manu
Ben Vanderlei	Cynthia Loten	Grant Fritzke	Nicole Klassen	Steve Marsh
Camilo Martinez	Darlene Carson	Greg Schlitt	Noham Weinberg	Tim Cooper
Carolyn Atkins	David Fenske	Gregory Schmaltz	Norm Taylor	Tony Stea
Christine Dalton	David Harper	Jane Webb	Patrick Harrison	
Christopher Duffin	Derek Harnett	Jeff Chizma	Robin Endelman	
Colleen Gingerich	Gabriel Murray	Karen Cooper	Ron Wilen	

REGRETS: Awneet Sivia, Beth Gillespie, Carmen Herman, David Chu, Debbie Wheeler, Ian Affleck, James Bedard, Jason Thomas, Kathy Peet, Susan Milner, Wendy Gracey

RECORDER: Melinda Saretzky

1. GUESTS and INTRODUCTIONS

Committee representatives introduced.

2. AGENDA and MINUTES

2.1 Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Patrick H./2nd by Cindy L. All in favour. Carried

2.2 Approval of the Minutes

May 2, 2014

Moved by Cindy L./2nd by Jane W. All in favour. Carried

May 30, 2014

Moved by Christine D./2nd by Cindy L. 2 abstentions. Carried

3. DEAN'S REPORT

Vision and Mission statement – is needed for the Faculty of Science.

UFV Science Building – may not be a reality for 2020, however the city of Abbotsford is keen in advancing the UDistrict in ways that could assist us in achieving the desired infrastructure.

ACTION: Nicole: Forward the following documents to all of Faculty Council for reference.

Strategic Enrolment Management Plan (SEM Plan)

Education Plan Update (ED Plan)

UFV Fact Book 2013-2014

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

4.1 Science Vision and Mission Statement

Discussion: Regarding research, teaching, outreach and scholarship. Not everyone does research, just as not everyone does outreach. Some suggestions were offered including adding 'excellence' to teaching.

ACTION: Reword and bring back to next Faculty Council meeting.

5. DISCUSSION / DECISION

5.1 Nominations and Elections – Limited Term Appointment

Nominations and elections will take place for sessionals, students and staff in the following weeks.

Discussion: Regarding the status of Limited Term Appointments (LTA) and whether they considered sessionals or full faculty.

MOTION: That all Limited Term Appointments are invited to attend Faculty Council meetings without voting rights until a final decision is made.

Moved by Ron W./ 2nd Cindy L. (no vote conducted)

ACTION: Send sessional nomination notice to sessionals only until the LTA status has been confirmed.

Note: Faculty Council attendance is open to all sessionals as guests.

ACTION: Lucy: Receive full clarification on the status of LTA's.

POST-MEETING ADDITION: Human Resources confirmed that LTA's are considered sessionals and the call for nominations for sessional representation was forwarded to them.

5.2 Faculty Standards for Tenure and Promotion

Draft proposal from the Chemistry department was distributed for reference to other departments.

All departments are encouraged to work on this as soon as possible and provide feedback to the science SST committee to move forward on this discussion.

ACTION: The science SST committee will forward a draft document to each department for discussion and hope to have a draft document in place by next faculty council.

University Faculty Standards document is being finalized with the hopes of a senate vote in December.

Discussion: A question is being asked at the Faculty Standards meetings "What does academic freedom mean to you?". What are the opinions from science? Think about Academic freedom versus institutional priorities.

ACTION: Please forward additional comments to Noham Weinberg, Science Representative on the Faculty Standards Committee

6. FSCC (Curriculum Committee)

6.1 DECISION

6.1.1 CIS 270 - changes including corequisites and pre/corequisites

MOTION: That Faculty Council approve of the changes to CIS 270 as presented and forward to UEC.

Moved by Norm T. /seconded by Gabriel M. All in Favour. Carried.

6.1.2 CIS 370 - changes including prerequisites

MOTION: That Faculty Council approve of the changes to CIS 370 as presented and forward to UEC.

Moved by Gabriel M. /seconded by Dave F. All in Favour. Carried.

6.1.3 COMP 382 – New Course - Languages, Computation, and Machines

MOTION: That Faculty Council approve the new course COMP 382 as presented and forward to UEC.

Moved by Cindy L. /seconded by Greg Schmaltz. All in Favour. Carried.

6.1.4 Declaration of Majors requirements

MOTION: That Faculty Council approve the Bachelor of Science Declaration of Majors requirements as presented and forward to UEC.

Moved by Greg Schmaltz. /seconded by Noham W. All in Favour. Carried.

6.1.5 Residency for Bachelor of Science Program

MOTION: That Faculty Council approve the changes to the residency requirements for the Bachelor of Science program as presented and forward to UEC.

Discussion: Regarding changing the required credits to 21 versus 22. The general consensus thought 22 was a nice even number as it is half of the total upper level credits required.

Moved by Derek H. /seconded by Dave F. 3 abstentions. Carried.

6.1.6 FSCC Terms of Reference

Reclassification of items that are brought to Faculty Council. All changes will be brought to Faculty Council for decision, however 'Reportable' changes will come forth as an omnibus motion. This still leaves each item open for discussion at any time.

MOTION: That Faculty Council approve the changes to the Terms of Reference for the Faculty of Science Curriculum Committee as presented.

Moved by Norm T. /seconded by Pat. H. All in Favour. Carried.

6.2 INFORMATION

6.2.1 GEOG 201 and GEOG 202 – changes to prerequisites

6.2.2 GEOG 319 – changes to prerequisites

6.2.3 2014-2016 FSCC Chairperson – Allan Arndt, starting January 2015.

7. REPORTS

7.1 Scholarship, Service, and Teaching Committee

Document (v.9) will be sent to departments for review. Science Advice Centre

Science Social – Sept. 23rd

7.2 Other Reports

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

8.1 UFV 40 Events ufv.ca/40 - Poster attached

Various Events - Sept. 12, 13, 17, 19, Oct. 21

Sept 12th and 17th – Science will have a presence at each of these events.

8.2 Expressions of Interest – Senate Budget Committee – Sept. 10 deadline

8.3 Policy Changes - Attendance Policy – comment deadline Sept. 15

8.4 Policy Changes - PLAR – Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition – comment deadline Sept. 22

9. ADJOURN

Next Meeting Oct. 3, 2014 at 1pm Room A421

Special Guest, Dr. Mark Evered, President and Vice Chancellor

Science News & Events: blogs.ufv.ca/science